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SUBJECT: IEA/CRD MEETING MARCH 15-16, 1978

1. SUMMARY: NINTH CRD MEETING FOCUSED ON DRAFT
REPORT TO GOVERNING BOARD ON NATIONAL ENERGY R&D
PROGRAM REVIEWS. DOCUMENT APPROVED WITH SEVERAL
DELETIONS AND OTHER MINOR MODIFICATIONS, AND WILL BE
SENT TO GOVERNING BOARD WITH RECOMMENDATION TO PUBLISH.
COMMITTEE AGREED ON PROPOSED PROCEDURES FOR FUTURE
NATIONAL RD & D PROGRAM REVIEWS.

2. RECORD OF EIGHTH CRD MEETING APPROVED WITHOUT
COMMENT.

3. SECRETARIAT REVIEWED ONGOING COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.
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AND CHAIRMAN INDICATED HE WOULD BRING THIS TO ATTENTION
OF EC SPONSORED EUROPEAN CONSULTATIVE GROUP ON
FUSION AS THEY ARE INTERESTED IN INS TYPE PROJECT.
NETHERLANDS INDICATED INTEREST IN JOINING PFB PROJECT.
SECRETARIAT INSTRUCTED ANY DELEGATION WITH SUCH INTEREST
TO NOTIFY PROJECT OPERATING AGENT ASAP. CANADIANS
INDICATED INTEREST IN JOINING 3 ANNEXES OF SOLAR

HEATING AND COOLING PROJECT IN APRIL. NEA HANNUM REVIEWED WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES AND STATED STEERING COMMITTEE WOULD BE ASKED FOR INDICATION OF URGENCY IN MAJOR WASTE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT. RWM COMMITTEE CONSIDERS R&D COOPERATION MORE IMPORTANT THAN SPECIFIC DEMONSTRATION.

4. DISCUSSION OF DRAFT REPORT ON NATIONAL R&D PROGRAM REVIEWS OCCUPIED MAJOR PART OF MEETING. MOST MEMBERS FAVOR SUBMITTING REPORT TO GOVERNING BOARD WITH RECOMMENDATIONS TO PUBLISH. CANADA, AND TO LESSER EXTENT SWITZERLAND OPPOSED. CHAIRMAN WILL NOTIFY APRIL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING THAT CRD MAJORITY FAVORS PUBLICATION OF REPORT, INCLUDING RAPPORTEUR CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY REVIEWS AS ANNEX. INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY REPORTS NOT CONSIDERED FOR EXTERNAL PUBLICATION. LIMITED CHANGES MADE TO TEXT. MAJOR CHANGE WAS DELETION OF TABLE 6 & 7 DEALING WITH INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY ENERGY RD & D ORGANIZATION AND INDUSTRIAL PARTICIPATION, RESPECTIVELY.

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5. PROPOSAL TO CONDUCT REVIEWS ON THREE YEAR CYCLE STARTING IN LATE L978 APPROVED. CHAIRMAN ASKED FOR

VOLUNTEERS TO START NEW CYCLE AND WILL INCLUDE SUBJECT ON NEXT CRD AGENDA.

6. BRIEF REVIEW OF MEETING ON OIL EXPLORATION AND RECOVERY PRESENTED BY NORWEGIAN DELEGATE. U.S. DELEGATE URGED FOR POSITIVE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN UNDERSEA COOPERATIVE WORK, AND PARTICIPATION IN PLANNED MEETING ON THIS SUBJECT JUNE 12-13, 1978. PROPOSED MEETING ON EOR IN APRIL POSTPONED AS ONLY TWO RESPONSES ON POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR COOPERATION RECEIVED TO DATE BY SECRETARIAT.

7. BRIEF REPORT ON ITALIAN DELEGATION REQUESTED MEETING ON JOINT FUNDING OF HARDWARE PROJECTS REVIEWED BY SECRETARIAT. ITALIAN DELEGATE EXPRESS SATISFACTION WITH REPORT.

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8. IN CONTEXT OF EOR, SECRETARIAT NOTED VENEZUELAN INTEREST IN IEA COUNTRY ASSISTANCE IN ORINOCO OIL RECOVERY AND PLANNED VISIT OF VENEZUELAN GROUP TO IEA IN JUNE, AND REQUESTED SUGGESTIONS FOR SOME FORM OF COOPERATION.

9. NEXT MEETING JUNE 22-23. AGENDA WILL INCLUDE PROGRAM REPORT ON R&D STRATEGY AND COUNTRY REVIEW FOLLOW-ON.

10. COMMENT: MAJOR PROBLEM ON TABLES 6 & 7 OF NATIONAL REVIEW DRAFT WERE IMPLICATION THAT HIGHLY CENTRALIZED ENERGY R&D ORGANIZATION MORE DESIRABLE THAN DECENTRALIZED ONE IN ALL CASES, AND SUBJECTIVE NATURE OF ENTRIES. OTHER CANADIAN AND SWISS PROBLEM IS APPEARANCE OF INADEQUATE R&D BUDGETS RELATIVE TO GDP OR ENERGY CONSUMPTION WITHOUT NOTING OTHER PERTINENT CONSIDERATIONS. SALZMAN

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